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For : VACUUM GAUGE
Attorney Docket : M02B133

Art Unit : TBA
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**NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE
UNITED STATES DESIGNATED ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

This letter is in response to the 371 Formalities Letter for completion of filing requirements under 35 USC 371, date mailed April 19, 2005 (copy enclosed). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 02-2865, the \$130.00 fee required under 37 CFR 1.492 (e).

The Commissioner is requested to grant any necessary extension of time and is authorized to charge any additional fee, if required, to our Deposit Account No. 02-2865.

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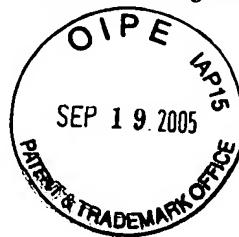
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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 12/03/2004
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 12/03/2004
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 12/03/2004
- Copy of references cited in ISR filed on 12/03/2004
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 12/03/2004
- Priority Documents filed on 12/03/2004

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- **\$130** Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)) is required.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$130** for a Large Entity:

- **\$130** Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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PART 1 - ATTORNEY/APPLICANT COPY

U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER NO.	INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.	ATTY. DOCKET NO.
10/516,963	PCT/GB03/02452	M02B133

FORM PCT/DO/EO/905 (371 Formalities Notice)



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TRANSMITTAL FORM

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Application Number

Filing Date December 3, 2004

First Named Inventor

Art Unit

Examiner Name **TRA**

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ENCLOSURES *(Check all that apply)*

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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT

Firm Name	The BOC Group, Inc.		
Signature			
Printed name	DAVID A. HEY		
Date		Reg. No.	32,351

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Date 16 Sept. 2005

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Effective on 12/08/2004.

Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).

FEE TRANSMITTAL

For FY 2005

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$ 1150.00)

Complete if Known

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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

Check Credit Card Money Order None Other (please identify): Deposit Account

Deposit Account Deposit Account Number: 02-2865 Deposit Account Name: The BOC Group, Inc.

For the above-identified deposit account, the Director is hereby authorized to: (check all that apply)

Charge fee(s) indicated below Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES	
	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Small Entity

Fee (\$)

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50 25

200 100

360 180

Multiple dependent claims

Multiple Dependent Claims

Fee (\$)

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HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

Indep. Claims Extra Claims Fee (\$) Fee Paid (\$)

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3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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- 100 = Fee (\$) / 50 = (round up to a whole number) x Fee (\$)

4. OTHER FEE(S)

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): Late filing surcharge: Petition for extension of time (3 Months)

Fees Paid (\$)

1150.00

SUBMITTED BY

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